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NYSE Arca**VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL**

October 20, 2006

Mr. Brian Johnson, Branch Chief
Branch of Filer Support 2, Mailstop 1-4
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room #1004
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: iShares, Inc.---Original Listing:
iShares MSCI Austria Index Fund
iShares MSCI Australia Index Fund
iShares MSCI Canada Index Fund
iShares MSCI EMU Index Fund
iShares MSCI Germany Index Fund
iShares MSCI Mexico Index Fund

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Dear Mr. Johnson:

Please be advised that NYSE Arca Equities, Inc. has received (on September 21, 2005) an application from the above-referenced issuer and has approved the above-referenced securities for listing on NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange"). The Exchange requests acceleration of registration of this security under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by stamping the enclosed copy with the date received and returning it in the post-paid self-addressed envelope. If there are any questions, please call me at (312) 442-7832. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Craig A. Gray
Manager, Equity Qualification

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Deepa A. Damre, Principal/Counsel, Barclays Global Investors, N.A., 45 Fremont
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